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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Application No.: 09/977,973)	
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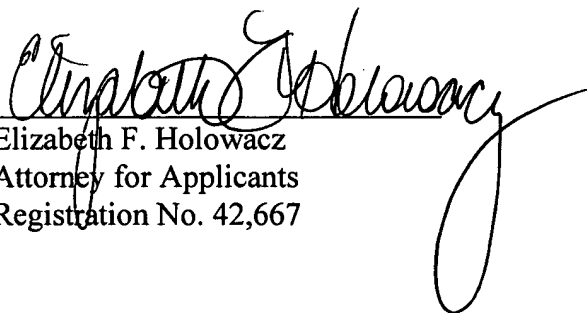
STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a status report on the above-identified application. The application was filed on October 17, 2001. To date, no Official Action has been received for this application. Since the application was filed approximately three and a half years ago, the Patent and Trademark Office is requested promptly to indicate to the undersigned when it is expected to receive an Office Action.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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